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SUBJECT: GDR REACTION TO KHARTOUM MURDERS

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1. GDR MEDIA HAVE THUS FAR REACTED GINGERLY TO MURDERS
OF TWO AMERICAN AND ONE BELGIAN DIPLOMAT IN KHARTOUM.
REFLECTING ON ONE HAND GDR DESIRE TO POSE AS LEADING
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SUPPORTER OF NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENTS (REF AIR)
BUT ON OTHER HAND SHOWING GDR AWARENESS THAT EXPLICIT SUPPORT
OF TERRORISM COULD AFFECT CURRENT SOVIET/ EAST EUROPEAN
PUBLIC POSITION OF NON- VIOLENT ACTION, GDR NEWSPAPERS
HAVE REPORTED BLACK SEPTEMBER ORGANIZATION' S MURDER OF
HOSTAGES AND TERRORISTS' EVENTUAL SURRENDER IN SUBDUED FASHION
AND
WITHOUT COMMENT. GDR MEDIA REFERENCE TO BLACK SEPTEMBER
GROUP AS " TERROR ORGANIZATION" WAS KEPT TO A MINIMUM.

2. DEPUTY DIRECTOR STEFAN DOERNBERG OF EAST GERMAN INSTITUTE
FOR INTERNATIONAL POLITICS AND ECONOMICS TOLD MISSION OFFICER
MARCH 5 THAT GDR COULD NOT DISAPPROVE SUCH TERRORISM TOO
STRONGLY. ALTHOUGH DOERNBERG CLAIMED THAT GDR RADIO AND TV
HAD CONDEMNED MURDERS, ONLY COMMENT WE HAVE SEEN WAS BY EAST
GERMAN TV CHIEF COMMENTATOR VON SCHNITZLER ON MARCH 6. VON
SCHNITZLER CONFINED HIMSELF TO WONDERING WHETHER ISRAELI
INTELLIGENCE SERVICE WAS INVOLVED WHEN ANARCHISM OF SMALL
MINORITY INFLECTS DAMAGE ON ARAB CAUSE.

3. FURTHER EVIDENCE OF GDR DILEMMA IS DEMONSTRATED BY RECENT
" HORIZONT" ARTICLE ON EDUCATION OF YOUTH MOVEMENTS IN WEST.
AUTHOR OF ARTICLE ON EDUCATION OF YOUTH MOVEMENTS IN WEST.
AUTHOR OF ARTICLE WARNS THAT BURNING HOUSES, HIJACKING
AIRPLANES, OCCUPYING UNIVERSITIES AND DESTROYING AMERICAN
ESTABLISHMENTS MAY BE SPECTACULAR BUT IN NO WAY ENDANGERS
CAPITALIST SYSTEM. KLEIN

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